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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY EASUM

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SUBJECT: VISIT TO SOUTHERN AFRICA

1. HAD VERY USEFUL HOUR AND A HALF LONG CONVERSATION ON VISIT WITH FONMIN MWAANGA WHO LOOKS FORWARD WITH GREAT PLEASURE TO SEEING YOU IN ZAMBIA FOR INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS.

2. HE GAVE ME FOLLOWING RELEVANT PORTION OFFICIAL PROGRAM WHICH AGREED ONLY PRECEDING EVENING AND NOT YET PRINTED:

OCTOBER 23

1900 -- PRESIDENT KAUNDA MAKES MAJOR TV/RADIO ADDRESS TO NATION. (MWAANGA PLEASED YOU WILL BE ARRIVING FROM VISIT TO COPPERBELT IN TIME TO HEAR THIS.)

2000 -- FORMAL GENERAL RECEPTION AT STATE HOUSE.

OCTOBER 24

0900 -- MARCH AND FLY PAST OF ARMED FORCES, PARTY GROUPS, WORKERS, SCHOOL CHILDREN, ETC. BEFORE HIGH COURT, INDEPEDENCE AVENUE.

1400 -- TRADITIONAL DANCES, INDEPENDENCE STADIUM.

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1830 -- RETREAT BY VARIOUS MILITARY BANDS, INDEPENDENCE STADIUM.

1900 -- FIREWORKS DISPLAY, INDEPENDENCE STADIUM.

2030 -- PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION IN HONOR OF CHIEFS OF STATE AND LEADERS OF FOREIGN DELEGATIONS, STATE HOUSE. (YOU ARE INVITED TO THIS INTIMATE DINNER AT STATE HOUSE; LESSER LIGHTS IN VISITING DELEGATIONS, DIPLOMATIC CORPS, CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND GRZ OFFICIALS WILL BE DINNER GUESTS OF PRIME MINISTER AT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL. HOPE TO HAVE COMPLETE LIST YOUR DINNER PARTNERS BY TIME YOU ARRIVE.)

OCTOBER 25

MORNING FREE.

1500 -- INTERNATIONAL SOCCER MATCH, INDEPENDENCE STADIUM.

REMAINDER OF DAY FREE.

3. SO FAR FOLLOWING DIGNITARIES EXPECTED: CHIEFS OF STATE NYERERE OF TANZANIA, MOBUTU OF ZIRE; MICOMBERO OF BURUNDI; NGOUABI OF CONGO BRAZZAVILLE; SERETSE KHAMA OF BOTSWANA; KING MOSHOESHOE OF LESOTHO. OTHER HEADS OF FOREIGN DELEGATIONS: VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE PRESIDUM OF THE SUPREME SOVIET (NAME UNKNOWN) WITH EIGHT-MAN DELEGATION; CHINESE MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC RELATIONS FANG YI WITH NINE-MAN DELEGATION; AND THREE UNNAMED MINISTERS FROM MALAWI.

4. FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS RECEIVED DEFINITE ACCEPTANCES FROM FOLLOWING DISTINGUISHED AMERICANS: CONGRESSWOMAN CARDISS COLLINS OF ILLINOIS (STATE 221615); WAYNE FREDERICKS OF FORD; CLARENCE JONES OF AMSTERDAM NEWS; HANS REIS, VICE PRESIDENT OF CONTINENTAL ORE; GEORGE HOUSER OF AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR AFRICA; SENATOR HUMPHREY'S ASSISTANT, MISS ALBERTSON. ACCEPTANCE FROM ARTHUR HOUGHTON OF CORNING GLASS STILL PENDING.

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5. MWAANGA SAID HE HAD DISCUSSED YOUR VISIT WITH PRESIDENT KAUNDA DURING LATTER'S TOUR OF COPPERBELT AND IT WAS UNDERSTOOD YOU WOULD BE THE PRESIDENT'S GUEST FOR A WORKING LUNCH EITHER NOV 4 OR NOV 5 DURING YOUR BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS. I SAID EITHER DATE SHOULD CAUSE NO PROBLEMS AS EMBASSY'S SCHEDULE FOR VISITING CHIEFS OF MISSION AND DEPARTMENT POLICY OFFICERS LEFT FLEXIBLE. MWAANGA CONFIRMED THAT APPOINTMENTS DURING BILATERALS WOULD BE ARRANGED WITH HIM, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE PARTY GREY ZULU, PRIME MINISTER MAINZA CHONA, AND MINISTER OF PLANNING AND

FINANCE CHIKWANDA.

6. HE VERY MUCH IMPRESSED AND PLEASED TO SEE COMPOSITION OF LIST OF US POLICY OFFICERS WHO WILL BE MEETING WITH YOU IN LUSAKA NOV 5 AND 6. I DESCRIBED THIS MEETING AS FURTHER EVIDENCE USG RESPONSIVENESS TO ZAMBIAN MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY. ALSO GAVE HIM COPIES YOUR TESTIMONY BEFORE HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON AFRICA AND HE DELIGHTED WITH YOUR REFERENCES TO LUSAKA MANIFESTO AND HELPFULNESS OF AFRICAN NATIONS IN DECOLONIZATION.

7. RE STATE 223183 ON YOUR COPPERBELT PROGRAM EN ROUTE LUBUMBASHI-LUSAKA OCT 23, WOULD HOPE IT COULD BE WORKED OUT FOR YOU TO MEET UMBA AT TIME EARLY ENOUGH TO ENABLE YOU STILL ACCEPT AMAX-RCM HOSPITALITY FOR WHICH ARRANGEMENTS NOW RATHER FAR ADVANCED. MID-AFTERNOON ARRIVAL ON COPPERBELT WOULD MEAN QUITE COMPRESSED AND HURRIED PROGRAM, PARTICULARLY IF YOU ARE TO ARRIVE LUSAKA IN TIME FOR PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS. STILL TRYING TO REACH LUBUMBASHI BY PHONE TO EXPLAIN OUR PLANS AND WORK OUT MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENTS IN YOUR BEST INTERESTS.
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